

**SENATE CONCURRENT
RESOLUTION No. _____**

DIGEST OF INTRODUCED RESOLUTION

A CONCURRENT RESOLUTION memorializing Lettie Oliver.

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Whereas, The state of Indiana lost a great public servant and advocate for working people when Lettie Oliver passed away on March 1, 2010;

Whereas, Lettie served as the Associate Director of Council 62 of AFSCME (Association of Federal, State, County, and Municipal Employees);

Whereas, In 2008, Lettie received the Torchbearer Award for her outstanding work. The Torchbearer Awards were created by the Indiana Commission for Women to recognize Hoosier women who have overcome or removed barriers to quality or whose achievements have contributed to making Indiana a better place in which to live, work, and raise a family;

Whereas, During her career, Lettie was a strong voice for organized labor and an advocate for women workers. Lettie served as president of the AFL-CIO Central Indiana Labor Council;

Whereas, Lettie served on a number of prestigious boards and committees over the years, including: Mayor Bart Peterson's blue-ribbon Advisory Panel to comment on



Indianapolis Works; Board of Directors of the Indianapolis Private Industry Council; and the Indiana Chapter of Women Work steering committee;

Whereas, Lettie was a part of the Indiana Pay Equity Coalition, a group advocating bills that would require a study of pay in state government jobs to determine whether women and minorities receive the same pay as men in the same or similar jobs;

Whereas, Lettie helped improve salaries for janitors who clean Downtown buildings. In addition, she made significant efforts to improve workplace conditions for hotel workers;

Whereas, Lettie is survived by five children: Jonathan Oliver, Shannon (Victor) Carr, Tehea Harding, Jasmin Oliver, and Brittani Oliver; and nine grandchildren. Lettie was predated in death by her husband, Roland Oliver Jr., in 2004, and her eldest son, Ernest;

Whereas, Joanne Sanders, the Indianapolis City-County Council minority leader, who is also on the board of the Labor Council, said about Lettie, “Most of her adult life, she was involved in the labor movement, and I think her legacy will be the aid she provided no matter who you were”; and

Whereas, Lettie Oliver’s passing is a great loss to the state of Indiana, and our thoughts and prayers are with Lettie Oliver’s family: Therefore,

Be it resolved by the Senate of the General Assembly of the State of Indiana, the House of Representatives concurring:

- 1 SECTION 1. The Indiana General Assembly memorializes Lettie
- 2 Oliver and acknowledges her life of service.
- 3 SECTION 2. The Secretary of the Senate is hereby directed to
- 4 transmit a copy of this Resolution to Lettie Oliver’s family.

